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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the attached application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 3, line 26, change "that" to -those-.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 23-25, claims 6-22 having previously been canceled.

Please add the following claims:

--26. A composition for use in the therapeutic or prophylactic treatment of a streptococcal infection, comprising:

an effective amount of Group C streptococcal phage associated lysin enzyme; and

a carrier for delivering said lysin enzyme to a mouth,

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